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Wheeling Man Sentenced on Firearms Charge

WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA — A 44 year old Wheeling, West Virginia, resident was sentenced on August 25, 2008, in United States District Court in Wheeling by Judge Frederick P. Stamp, Jr.

United States Attorney Sharon L. Potter announced that KENNETH NEWMAN was sentenced to 30 months imprisonment to be followed by two years of supervised release. NEWMAN entered a plea of guilty on April 11, 2008, to one count of an Indictment charging him with knowingly possessing firearms on January 28, 2008, in Marshall County after having been previously convicted of the felony offense of Grand Larceny, in the Circuit Court of Marshall County, West Virginia. As part of his plea, NEWMAN agreed to the forfeiture of a Remington, model 870 Express Super Magnum, 12 gauge caliber shotgun; a Remington, model 760 Gamemaster, .30-06 caliber rifle; a Ruger, model 10/22, .22 LR caliber rifle; a Bushmaster, model XM15-E2S, .223-5.56 mm caliber rifle; a Smith and Wesson, model 5906, .9mm caliber pistol; a Smith and Wesson, model 686,.357 caliber revolver; 27 rounds of .223 caliber ammunition; 38 rounds of .9 mm caliber ammunition; 18 rounds of .357 caliber ammunition; and 1,055 rounds of assorted ammunition, involved in the commission of the offense alleged in the Indictment.

NEWMAN, who is currently free on bond, will self-report to a designated federal institution.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David J. Perri. The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives and the Marshall County Sheriff's Department.